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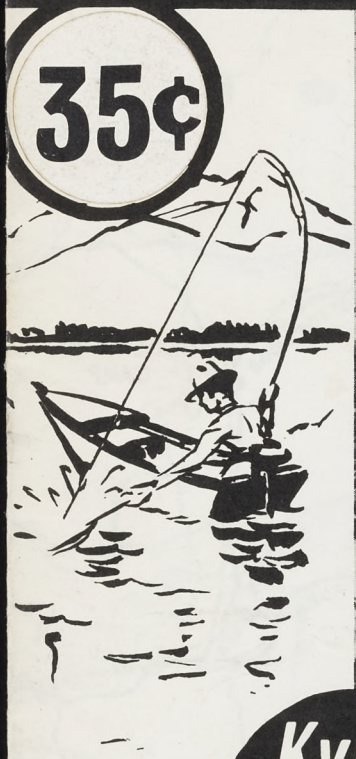

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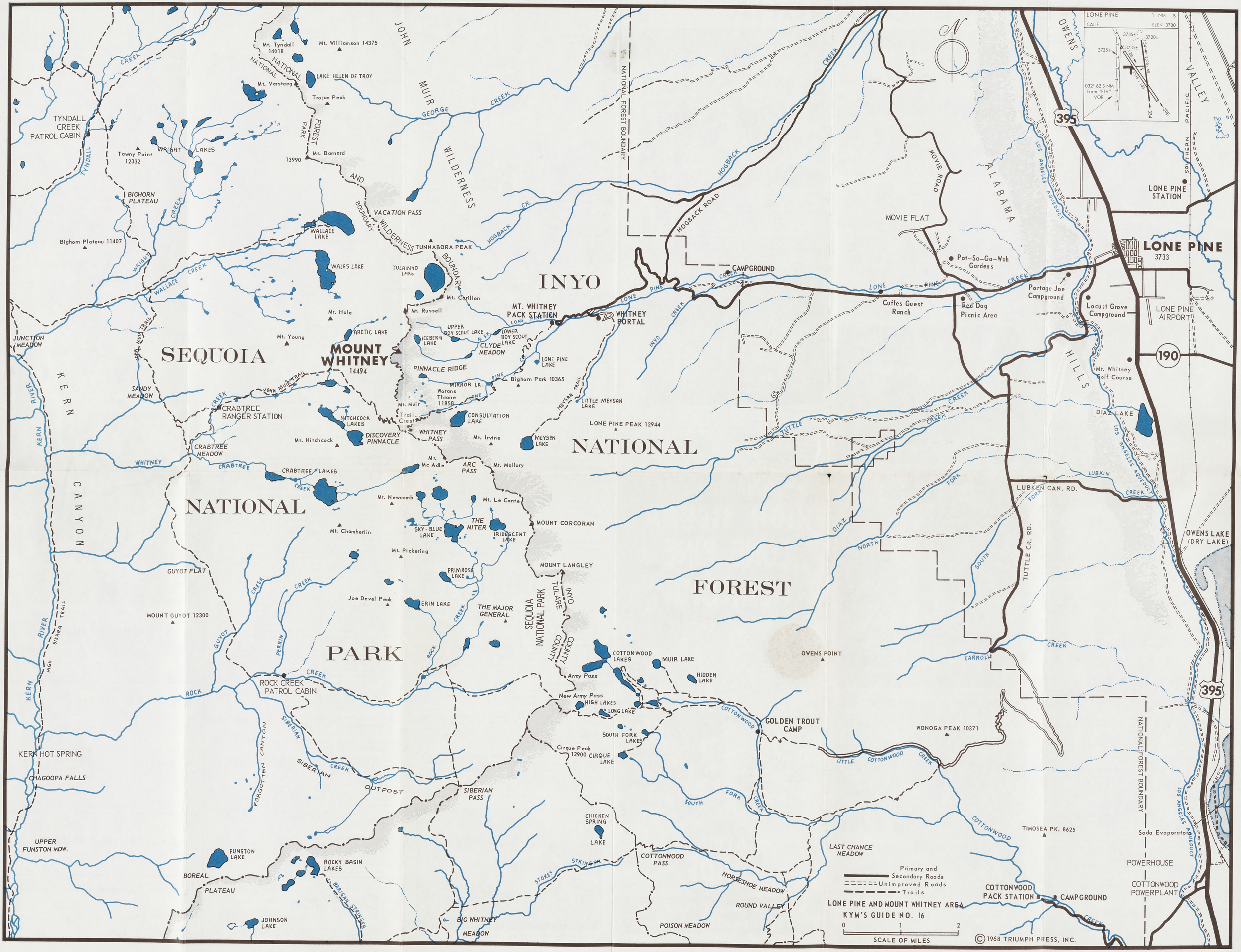
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Fishing, hunting and just plain roughing it have made this area a favorite with sportsmen throughout the West. Crystal clear air, the towering snow capped Sierras, that feed hundreds of abundant streams, and hunting in the foothill forests attract thousands each year.

Lone Pine, the center of the Mt. Whitney-Owens Lake region, is settled at the foot of towering Mt. Whitney (4,496 ft. elevation) and is reached by U.S. Highways 395 and 6 from either the north or south. The city is the center of local business and has modern and pleasant motels and restaurants. There are stores, as well, that are fully stocked with hunting and fishing gear and all necessary provisions.

Principal fishing activity is along Lone Pine Creek to the west of the city of Lone Pine and along the wonderful Mt. Whitney trail. Lone Pine Creek is readily fished from the town on westward to Whitney Portal.

To visit the Whitney Portal area leave Lone Pine and Highways 395 and 6, turn west on Whitney Portal Road, and before continuing the climb to the famed Mount Whitney, watch for the turnoff through the Alabama Hills. These hills with their weird formations, are a scenic treat that no traveler should miss. The twisted, grotesque shapes of the enormous rocks and boulders give this a strange "other world" feeling to the country. Many visitors camp and picnic here, hiking through the granite grottoes, awed by the fantastic formations of these colossal hills. Because of their unusual beauty, plans are underway to make this area a state park.

Many famous western movies have been shot in the Alabama Hills, and the cowboys have raced in and out of the rocks. The western sheriff has many times wearily tracked an outlaw through the maze of canyons and rocks, in a spellbinding story of the Old West. You will no doubt have a sense of familiarity with the country, particularly if you are a western fan.

According to local historians, these famous hills received their unusual name from a Confederate man-of-war, the "Alabama." This ship destroyed much Union shipping, and caused the North to vow vengeance. Finally, in June, 1864, the "Kearsarge" tracked the "Alabama" to Cherbourg, France. After a spectacular battle, watched avidly by the French (many of whom were southern sympathizers), the "Alabama" ended its career of havoc against the Union. But the name "Alabama" was a fighting one to the Confederate sympathizers in the Owens Valley, and they named their hills for the gallant ship.

After leaving the hills, and continuing up Whitney Portal Road to an elevation of 8367 feet, you come to the end of the road at Whitney Portal. Surrounded by towering cliffs, amid the shade of pine and fir forest, you will find no lovelier spot in the Sierra. Portal Falls tumbles down to the little valley, where the forest service maintains a picnic grounds, next to a small man-made lake, stocked with Rainbow trout. Located here also is a small store and lunch counter, at the Whitney Portal Pack Station, which is open from June first through Labor Day.

Although no overnight camping is allowed right at the grounds at Whitney Portal, a short distance down the road is the Whitney Portal Campground, as listed under Inyo National Forest Campgrounds.

Besides the campers and picnickers who visit Whitney Portal, there are thousands of more hardy souls who go by foot to the peak of Mt. Whitney. Over ten thousand a year travel this trail, in the unspoiled beauty of the High Sierra.

If you plan to make this hike, register at Whitney Portal, leaving about noon, with your sleeping bag and enough food for three meals. During the afternoon, you can easily reach Mirror Lake, where you can rest and spend the night. The following day, you should be able to reach the summit by noon, having the afternoon to return to Whitney Portal before dark.

The high country of the Sierra in the Lone Pine-Olancha area offers fine fishing, rainbow, browns and the famous golden trout. This beautiful fish is a native only to California, and was named the official State Fish by the State Legislature in 1947. According to the California State Fish and Game this was an appropriate choice, for the golden is the most beautiful of all trouts. "Brightly colored, it has a medium dark-olive back, shading down through lighter olive and lemon-golden sides to a brilliant orange to a cherry-red belly. There are reddish-orange stripes midway along the sides from the head to tail, broken by dull-olive vertical bars called parr mark. On some, the head, back, tail and dark-olive back fins are marked with clear black dots. The other fins are bright orange, usually tipped with white. These bright colors become almost gaudy at spawning time.

"The golden trout thrives in California waters at elevations from 8,500 to 10,500 feet. It has been found as low as 6,300 feet. In most streams it remains small, from 5 to 8 inches. In some lakes it may grow much larger, 12 to 18 inches.

"Men feel differently about fishing for golden trout than they do about regular trout fishing. One reason is that golden trout waters are not accessible by roads. To seek the golden trout one must hike far back into the primitive country. This places a natural restriction on the number of persons who fish for golden. In this remote country the golden is easily caught. The short summers limit the natural food supply so goldens take artificial flies, lures and baits readily.

"So far the remoteness of the areas in which goldens are found, and the lack of roads, have kept it possible to maintain this unique trout. As long as a part of the magnificent area in which the golden originated is allowed to remain isolated from motor vehicles, those who are willing to take the time and effort may hike into this wild and rugged high country and still find the spectacular golden trout."

To enjoy the marvelous fishing of the high country, there are a number of pack trip guides and air pack services in the Lone Pine-Olancha area. These efficient outfits make camping and fishing a genuine pleasure, and if you are interested it is advisable to write them for further information. They will send brochures, rates and gladly answer any questions.

The Jordan Hot Springs Pack Station located four miles south of Olancha, 6 miles off Highways 395 and 6. Their Lodge is reached by pack train from the pack station and from Troy Meadow. Located on Nine Mile Creek, the Kern River is nearby, the giant pine and cedar trees at an elevation of 6,680 feet, offer majestic mountain scenery that is second to none. Meals, cabins, and hot mineral baths are available.

Kennedy Meadows is in the Kern Plateau country, on the South Fork of the Kern River. This beautiful scenic wilderness is the home of the rare golden trout, the browns and rainbows, and is also famous for its excellent hunting. Turn off Highways 395 and 6, south of Olancha, going west up Nine Mile Canyon for 27 miles, to reach this sportsmen's paradise.

Famed as the home of the Golden Trout, Cottonwood Pack station, in the Cottonwood Lakes area, offers access to Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Park, and twenty-eight exclusive golden trout lakes. Offers pack trips for hunters, families, fishermen, as well as Scout groups.

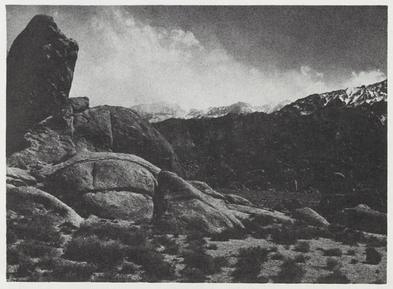
Lone Pine. Mt. Whitney centered on the background.

Rocky Basin Lake *Downie & Associates Photo*

Deepest Valley Theatre is located at the foot of Mt. Whitney, the highest peak in the United States. Here, where enormous ancient boulders extend for several miles, millions of years of sand and wind erosion have provided a natural amphitheatre with perfect acoustics for music and the spoken word. The Theatre is only two miles on a scenic detour from U.S. 395, at Lone Pine.

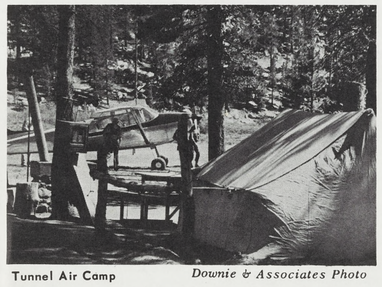
The setting of Deepest Valley Theatre is spectacular and the air so still that the sound of both voice and instrument rises pure and undistorted. Lovers of music, theatre and ballet are attracted to this unique theatre, which is sponsored by the Draco Foundation of California, a non-profit organization, formed to develop a center for the contemporary arts. The Draco Gallery on Jackson Street, in Lone Pine, exhibits the works of distinguished painters and sculptors.

It is Draco's hope to continue to bring accomplished artists and performers to Deepest Valley and so provide a permanent outlet for new and old works of excellence; orchestral and solo works, operas, drama and ballet, worthy of the setting.



The Alabama Hills near Lone Pine, off Whitney Portal Road.

Near the South Fork of the Kern River, and Golden Trout Creek, one of the Sierras most unusual camps is the Tunnel Air Camp and Pack Station. Only a twenty minute flight from the Lone Pine Airport, the camp at 9,100 elevation, in the shaded pines, is an ideal spot to camp with your own equipment. Or if you prefer, you may use the camps near the airstrip. The wall tents are equipped with beds and mattresses, outside fireplaces for cooking. Planned to give complete privacy, the camps are placed at comfortable distances among the pines. Pack trips are also available here.

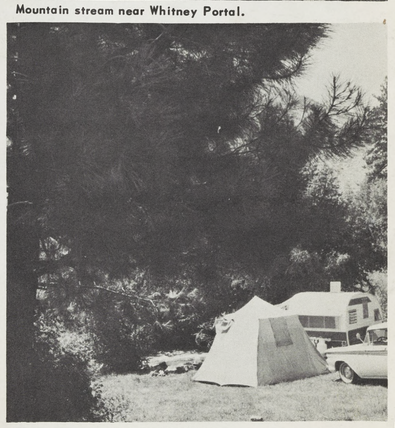


Tunnel Air Camp *Downie & Associates Photo*

The Troy Meadow Pack Station, operated by Sam N. Lewis Pack Train, is located 10 miles from Kennedy Meadow. Haiwee Canyon packing during deer season. Cabins are available, pack trips and day rides, fishing, hunting and camping.

Mt. Whitney Pack Trains with pack station at Sage Flat, Carroll Creek and Whitney Portal, offer fishing, hunting, scenic trip in the Whitney district of the High Sierras.

Mountain stream near Whitney Portal.



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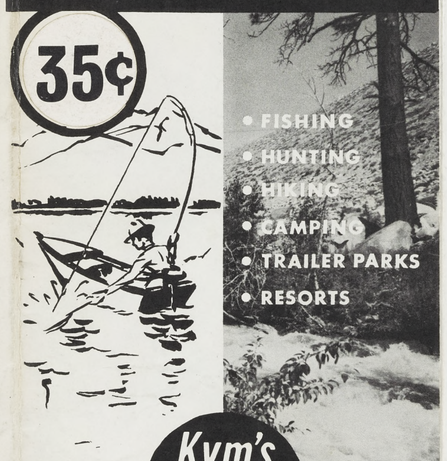

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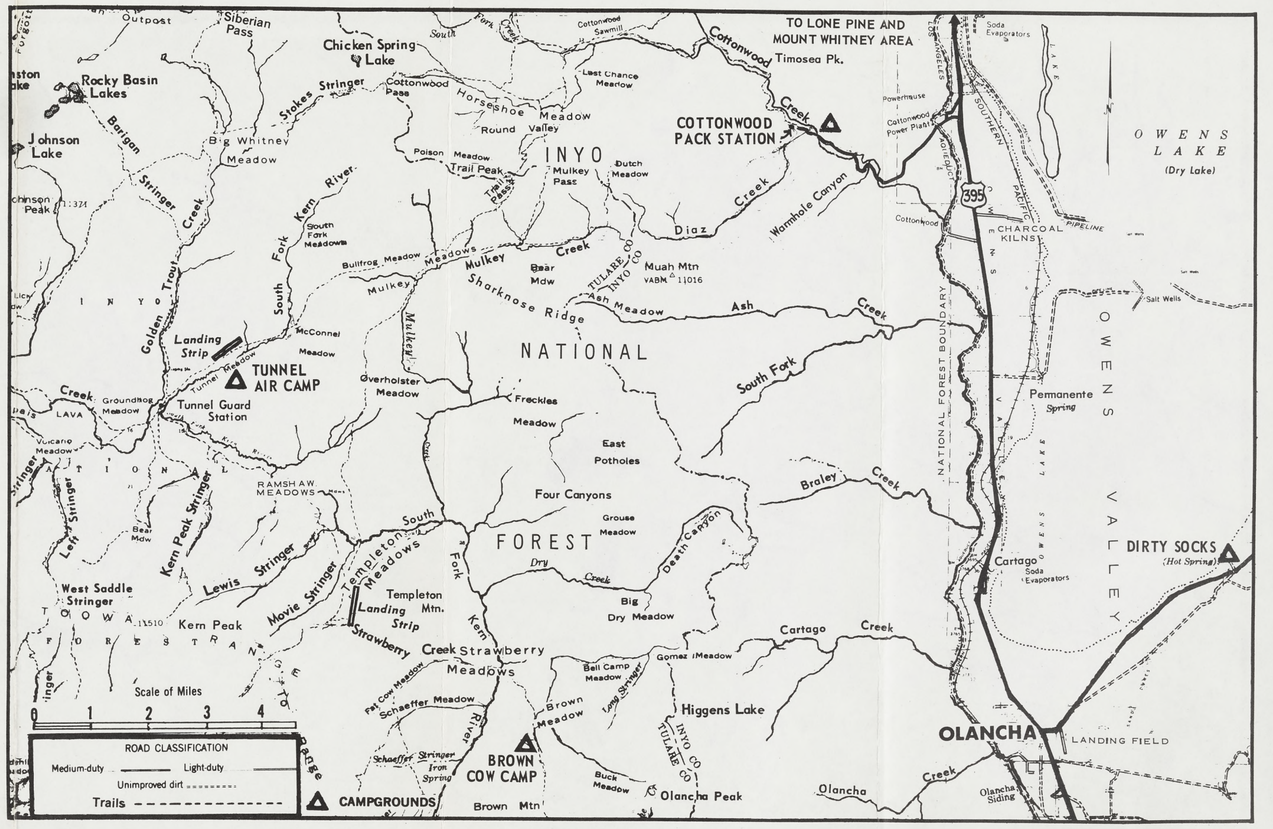

For information about the pack stations write:

Mt. Whitney Pack Trains
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Sam N. Lewis Pack Train
P.O. Box 3
Coso Junction, California

Bob and Tiny Moore
Cottonwood Pack Station
P.O. Box 43
Olancha, California

Reginald Stocking
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INYO COUNTY CAMPGROUNDS
Olancha Area

DIRTY SOCK CAMPGROUND — Trailer and tent camping, restrooms, hot mineral water, free pool, shade trees started, drinking water available. 4 miles east of Olancha on Death Valley Cutoff. 34 spaces with large sand area for expansion.

DIAZ LAKE — 3 miles south of Lone Pine on Hiway 395. Boating, skiing, fishing (from banks and wading areas only), swimming area. Camping, concession, water, restrooms, and tables. A complete multiple use area for all around year use on 86.8 acre lake. Moderate fee on camping, boating and skiing. Supervisor on duty.

LONE PINE AREA — West of hiway 395 at Whitney Portal Road. Follow signs one mile to:

PORTAGEE JOE CAMPGROUND, west of Highway 395 at Whitney Portal Road, follow signs and turn left to camp. 45 spaces. Restrooms, surface water, tables.

LOCUST GROVE CAMPGROUND, one-half mile further on with same accommodations.

TUTTLE CREEK CAMPGROUND, a new modern Federal campground will be available in late summer at 5200' elevation off Tuttle Creek road; a B.L.M. and County of Inyo operation.

LONE PINE PARK with all modern rest facilities on hiway 395 north end of town. No camping.

TECOPA — Tecopa Hot Springs Park is located 1½ miles north of Tecopa in the southeast corner of Inyo County. Trailer and Tent camping. Restrooms, hot mineral water, bathhouse for men and bathhouse for women. Camping rates are $1.00 per day, $3.00 per week, or $10.00 per month. Limited spaces with electricity for persons with Extended Permits. Park Supervisor on duty at all times. For General Information, please write this office or Inyo County Tecopa Hot Springs, Tecopa, California.

CUFFE GUEST RANCH OF MOVIE FAME, P.O. Box 153, Lone Pine, California. Phone TRipoli 6-4161. Season: April 1 to October 1. To reach Cuffe Guest Ranch, turn west off Highway 395 at Lone Pine on the Whitney Portal Road, for 4½ miles. The ranch is located in the famous Alabama Hills on Lone Pine Creek at the foot of Mt. Whitney, and has been the scene of many famous western movies.

Looking down Main St, Lone Pine, California.

HIGH SIERRA TRAILS (INYO NATIONAL FOREST)

HAIWEE CANYON — from end of Haiwee Canyon road to Deer Mountain at the headwaters of the South Fork of Kern River.

OLANCHA—From Sage Flat southwest of Olancha to Monache Meadow. Cottonwood Canyon — From end of Cottonwood Canyon road to Horseshoe Meadow.

INYO NATIONAL FOREST CAMPGROUNDS
Lone Pine-Olancha Area

COTTONWOOD CREEK, located 3 miles west of Highway 395 between Olancha and Lone Pine on paved road near Cottonwood Pack Station. Gateway to Cottonwood Lakes high country. 8 camps. Stream water, Fishing, hiking, hunting. Elevation 4500 feet. Season—April to November. Whitney Portal Recreation Area.

Located directly west of Lone Pine where you can find shopping facilities, motels, trailer court, medical facilities, churches and phone service. The area is typified by the craggy, light gray Sierra peaks that surround Mount Whitney (the highest peak in the U.S. outside of Alaska.) Gateway to John Muir trail and John Muir wilderness. Administered by the District Ranger, Lone Pine, California.

LONE PINE, located 7 miles west of Lone Pine on Lone Pine Creek in the lower foothills. Good paved road. 38 camp units and 11 picnic units with stoves. Piped water. Fishing. Supplies at Lone Pine. Elevation 6500 feet. Season — year long. Newly reconstructed to modern standards. Fees are charged at this campground.

WHITNEY PORTAL, located 13 miles west of Lone Pine on Lone Pine Creek. Good paved road with steep pitches for last mile. A scenic high-walled hanging valley with fir and pine trees — in the shadow of Mt. Whitney. 60 camps with stoves. Piped and stream water. Fishing, picnicking, hiking. Beginning of Mt. Whitney Trail. Small store and lunch counter at Whitney Portal Pack Station during July and August. Elevation 8000 feet. Season — April to November. Trailers permitted, but not advisable. Fees are charged at this campground.

COTTONWOOD CANYON — From end of Cottonwood Canyon road to Horseshoe Meadow.

CARROLL CREEK — From end of Carroll Creek road past Cottonwood Lake to Army Pass.

MT. WHITNEY — From Whitney Portal camp ground to the 14,395-foot summit of Mt. Whitney, highest point in the United States.

Other points of interest in this area are the John Muir Trail, a monument to the memory of the famed California naturalist and explorer of the Sierra, that links Mt. Whitney on the south with Tuolumne Meadows on the north. Much of this trail is above 9,000 feet. Mt. Whitney is clearly visible from much of the southern portion of the area.

LONE PINE MOTOR TOURS, P.O. Box 327, Lone Pine, California. Phones 876-4554 or 876-5521. Chuck and Eva Whitney, owners. Motor charter trips to points of interest in the Lone Pine, Mt. Whitney and Owens Valley area. Write for information.

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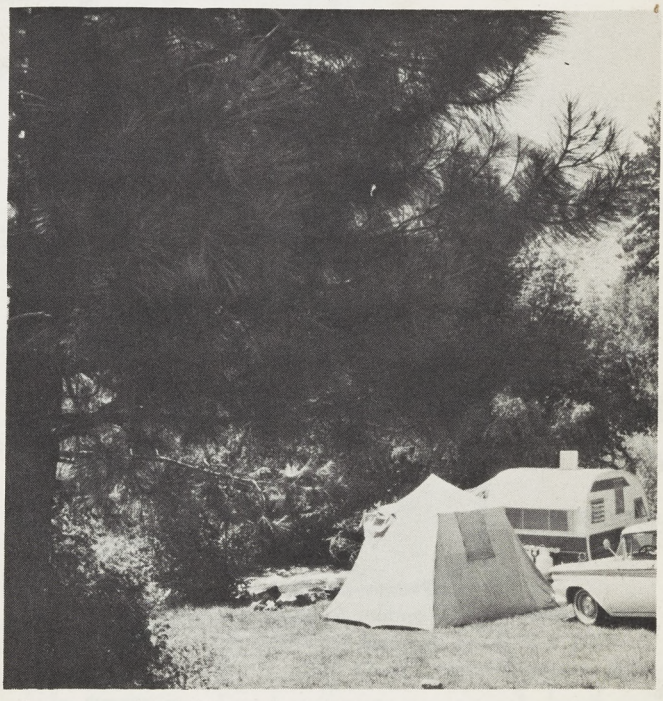

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